

Deborah.Easterling

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From: Deborah.Easterling
Sent: Monday, September 10, 2012 1:36 PM
To: 'Les Woods'
Subject: RE: Protest_Letter

Dear Ms. Woods,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your email to the Public Service Commission. I am forwarding your email and Letter of Protest to our Clerk's Office for processing. Your email and Letter of Protest will become a part of Docket No. 2012-177-WS and will be posted on our website under this docket.

Please let me know if you should require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Deborah Easterling
Administrative Assistant

-----Original Message-----

From: Les Woods [<mailto:leswoods@comporium.net>]
Sent: Sunday, September 09, 2012 8:34 PM
To: PSC_Contact
Subject: Protest_Letter

Please see the attached Protest_Letter

Thank you.

Leslie A. Woods
1112 Palmyra Drive
Tega Cay, SC 29708

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* Required Fields

Date: * September 9, 2012

Letter of Protest
in Docket 2012 - 177 - WS

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Protestant Information:

Name * Leslie A. Woods

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1. What is your connection or interest in this case? * For example, are you a customer of the Company that is the subject of this pending proceeding? (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

I am a very frustrated customer of Utilities Inc. They have proven time and again they do NOT manage funds wisely and don't maintain their equipment and services in a prudent manner. They just received an 18% increase three years ago. My income hasn't gone up AT ALL during this same time period. If all my service providers averaged a 6+% increase every year I would have to sell my home and move into low end housing.

2. Please give a concise statement of your protest. * (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

"Since they were previously granted an increase to improve infrastructure in 2010 in the amount of 18%, this should have provided adequate funding to recoup their cost for repairs, etc.

Plus, the company has had other rate increases in the past and that would have provided necessary revenues to repair and maintain the system. The company has neglected the system and the current proposed rate increases are exorbitant and will be a great burden on those on fixed incomes. The City of Tega Cay demographics reflect a high percentage of retirees that are on fixed incomes and the proposed increase in an already down-turned economy will be extremely burdensome, especially for those with very limited incomes. Also, the PSC must recognize that York County is the hardest hit County in SC due to the economic downturn.

The company could have circumvented the need for the extreme and excessive proposed rate hike had regular and routine maintenance been performed and long range capital improvements had been programmed properly. The bottom line is the proposed rate hike is not reasonable and will create a huge burden for the residents of Tega Cay. We hope that the Commissioners will reject the proposed increase and understand the residents cannot afford such an increase."

3. Do you wish to make an appearance at a hearing in this proceeding, if scheduled, and offer sworn testimony? *

I plan to attend the upcoming public meeting to be held in Tega Cay this Thursday.